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Police Involved Shooting
UPDATE
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The investigation into the police involved shooting that occurred on April 6, 2016, has been completed by the Firearms/Police-Involved Death Review Board. The actions of Officer J.C. Hale #2698 are found to be within the Columbus Division of Police Use of Firearms Policy.

Knife Wielding Man Shot by Police

Columbus Police are investigating a police involved shooting involving a man wielding a knife on the city's near east side.

On April 6, 2016, at approximately 8:49 pm, officers were dispatched to 951 Heyl Avenue on the report of a man threatening a woman with a knife. Officers arrived and spoke with a female, who confirmed her boyfriend had threatened her with a knife. The officers were able to enter the house and confronted the man as he held the knife.

The officers gave multiple commands for the man to drop the knife. The suspect failed to comply with the officers' orders and advanced towards them. Officers attempted to deploy a Taser, but it was ineffective. One officer fired multiple times as the suspect continued towards the officers. The suspect, **Randal S. Paden**, **M/W/40**, was transported to Grant Medical Center and is listed in stable condition with multiple gunshot wounds. No other injuries were reported. A knife was recovered at the scene.

Randal S. Paden is charged with Domestic Violence and Assault. Additional charges are pending further investigation.

As in all police involved shootings, the involved officer(s) will receive mandated psychological support counseling. Officers are also afforded an opportunity to take leave time to assist in recovery from a traumatic experience. This incident will be investigated by the Critical Incident Response Team (made up of specially trained investigators from the



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Homicide Units). The final investigative package will be forwarded to the Columbus Division of Police Firearms/Police-Involved Death Review Board and the Chain-Of-Command for review.

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